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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT OIL SHALE PROJECT OFFICE

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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November 16, 1983

FROM:

John Miley and Don Johnson

SUBJECT: U-a/U-b Tract Inspection

Personnel Present:

Bob Hobbs

WRSOC

John Miley

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Don Johnson

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Glen Miller

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Primary Purpose of Inspection: Mining

Activities:

Mining -- The decline had been advanced 60 feet into the first grout curtain. The face of the decline was below the water table. Only a small seep of water into the decline was evident near the face. The decline will be advanced another 40 feet and then the second grout ring will be drilled to 120' depth.

The bore hole had been completed from the dog-leg of the decline to the surface and was in use for ventilation exhaust and service pipelines. The 75 h.p. exhaust ventilation fan installed at the dog-leg was muffled and noise was hardly noticeable.

The mining machine had been completely rebuilt; a field test was made by MSHA and Schedule 31 approval was made. All equipment and lighting used in the decline is approved Schedule 31 equipment.

Samples were taken of the air near the face of the decline. These samples (55349 and 55350) will be analyzed in the laboratory for methane content.

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